

## Testimony for HB 5113

Dear Legislator,

My name is Jim Tebo and I'm a CT High school and youth soccer referee as well as CT high school rules interpreter, on the Executive board for the Central CT Soccer official Association and CT state Soccer officials organizations.

I am wring to express my concern for HB 5113- AN ACT CONCERNING YOUTH ATHLETICS AND CONCUSSION.

The National Federation of High schools already have concussion protocols in all of their rule books for all sports. I believe it is adequately addressed for all High School officials. It has also been a point of emphasis for the all sports for several years. Additionally, responsibility would be misdirected toward the officials, who are not trained health care professionals.

My biggest concern is that officials will now have an even greater exposure to law suits. It will make then think twice about whether they want to continue or even become a sports official.

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